

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – School Education Department – Allegation of irregularities and misappropriation of public funds against Sri K.P. Shanker Rao, Deputy Director (Retired), Public Libraries, Hyderabad– Sanction of Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

SCHOOL EDUCATION (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 3

Dated: 11-03-2019

ORDER:

Whereas, the Additional Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Telangana State, Hyderabad has reported that, Sri K.P.Shanker Rao, S/o Late K.Nagabhushanam, Age.63 Yrs, Occ: Retired Deputy Director of Public Libraries, Hyderabad, R/o. Plot No.804/6, D.No.43, Vivekananda Nagar Colony, Kukatpally, Hyderabad-500072 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of Public Servant as defined under section 21 of Indian Penal Code (Central Act No.45 of 1860) & section 2 (c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act No.49 of 1988).

2. And whereas, the Additional Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Telangana State, Hyderabad reported that, the accused (A-1) K.P.Shanker Rao, S/o Late K.Nagabhushanam, Age.63 Yrs, Occ: Retired Deputy Director of Public Libraries, Hyderabad, previously worked as Secretary, City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad from 10-01-2008 to 17-06-2008 as full additional charge and from 09-07-2008 to 10-12-2008 as regular Secretary. During the time, he committed irregularities by misuse of powers and misappropriation of public funds by spending the money more than the budget approved by the competent authority under the concerned heads and without obtaining prior permission from the competent authority. As the alleged officer is senior employee in the Department of Public Libraries, the Director of Public Libraries has constituted a committee with Departmental officials to visit and seize the concerned records for verification to know the facts in the allegations. Accordingly, the Departmental Officers, after verification of the records, have submitted a detailed report, wherein they observed gross irregularities committed by the alleged officer by colluding with Chairman of the City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad and other Department officials in purchasing the stationery and furniture etc articles to City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad during his tenure as Secretary, City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad.

3. Accordingly, after verifying the records and enquiry report of the Departmental Officials, the Government have decided to entrust the case to the Crime-Branch Crime Investigation Department for enquiry / investigation in the aforesaid matter and directed, the Director, Public Libraries, to lodge a complaint in the matter and furnish all connected records to the Crime-Branch Crime Investigation Department.

4. Accordingly, on 29-08-2009 a complaint has been lodged to the Additional Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad by the Director of Public Libraries and a case has been registered at Crime Investigation Department, Police Station on 22-01-2010 Vide Cr. No.01/ 2010, under section 406 & 477-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and investigated into.

5. During the investigation of the case by the Crime Investigation Department, it is revealed that the accused (A-1) K.P. Shanker Rao, worked as Secretary of City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad from 10-01-2008 to 17-06-2008 as Full Additional Charge and from 09-07-2008 to 10-12-2008 as regular Secretary and during that period he incurred an amount of Rupees 4,57,27,855/- of City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad funds towards purchase of various stationery and furniture items including pest control measures, building repair works etc., for the financial years 2007-08 & 2008-09. He incurred an amount of Rupees 1,48,78,440/- for the budget year 2007-08 and an amount of Rupees 3,08,49,415/- for the budget year 2008-09. In which simply an amount of Rupees More than 1(One) Crore was misappropriated with excess rates and without any enquiry of market rates and dealer rates and also without field inspections and the purchased items are more than the actual requirements.

6. Further, during the investigation, it is also established that the accused (A-1) Mr. K.P.Shanker Rao, by conspiracy and collusion with Chairman of City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad (A-2) G.Srinivas Yadav and other Departmental officials i.e. (A-3) V.Suryanarayana, Retired Executive Engineer, Fisheries Department, (A-5) V.Venugopal Rao, Retired Senior Assistant, HACA, Hyderabad, (A-6) P. Rajeshwar, Retired Business Manager, HACA, (A-7)

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D. Krishna Murthy, Retired Joint Registrar and previous Managing Director of HACA, (A-8) B. Gopal Naik, Additional Registrar in Housing Federation, Hyderabad and previous Managing Director of HACA, (A-10) M. Rama Raju, Retired Accountant, NCCF, Hyderabad, (A-11) CH.Suryanarayana Murthy, Retired Assistant Director of KVIB and previous General Manager of Khadi N Crafts, Hyderabad and (A-12) B. Bal Reddy, Senior Inspector, KVIB and previous Senior Inspector in Khadi N Crafts, purchased different stationery and furniture items including pest control measures, building repair works etc., by incurring above mentioned amount for which both (A-1) & (A-2) deliberately flouted all the Government G.O's / Memo's and Departmental existing procedures and caused huge loss to the public funds.

7. Further, the investigation revealed that the accused (A-1) K.P.Shanker Rao and (A-2) G. Srinivas Yadav, both blatantly violated the (1) G.O.Rt.No.515/07, dated:31-07-2007, (2) G.O.Rt.No.751/06, dated:10-11-2006 (3) G.O.Rt.No.367/08, dated:28-05-2008 of School Education (Libraries) Department by not maintaining the District Level Purchase & Verification Committee quorum for the purchases made during the years 2007-08 & 2008-09. Both the accused also violated the Memo No.56/Lib.1/96-1 dated.19-09-1996 of School Education (Lib.1) Department in calling quotations from Government agencies. Further, both conspired and colluded with (A-3) Mr. V. Suryanarayana, Retired Executive Engineer, Fisheries Department and handed over a cheque of Rs.2 Crores without the knowledge of Commissioner of Fisheries by violating the Government Memo No.1678/S/2006, dated.30-04-2007.

8. Further, in addition to the above Rs.2 Crores, both the above accused (A-1) and (A-2) paid an amount of Rupees.95,69,903/- to HACA involving the accused (A-5) to (A-8), paid an amount of Rupees 50,04,150/- to NCCF involving the accused (A-10), paid an amount of Rupees 68,76,800/- to Khadi N Crafts involving the accused (A-11) and (A-12) and also paid an amount of Rupees 17,80,000/- to SETWIN towards purchase of different stationery and furniture items, including pest control measures to City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad and spent the public money in a haphazard manner without maintaining the concerned records.

9. In view of the material available on record, it is felt sufficient to charge Sri K.P.Shanker Rao (A-1) Retired Deputy Director and formerly Secretary of City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad who is liable to be punished under sections 403 (Dishonest misappropriation of property), 409 (Criminal Breach of Trust by Public Servant), 477-A (Falsification of Accounts) and read with 120 (B) (Criminal Conspiracy) of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and also under section 13(1) (c) (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Dishonestly or fraudulently misappropriates or otherwise converts for his own use any property entrusted to him or under his control as a public servant or allows any other person to do so).

10. Now, therefore in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 197 of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 (Central Act 2 of 1974) and the Government after careful examination of the matter hereby accord sanction to prosecute Sri K.P.Shanker Rao (A-1) Retired Deputy Director, Public Libraries and previously Secretary of City Grandhalaya Samstha, Hyderabad for offences punishable under sections 403(Dishonest misappropriation of property), 409 (Criminal Breach of Trust by Public Servant), 477-A (Falsification of Accounts) and read with 120 (B) (Criminal Conspiracy) of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and also under section 13(1) (c) (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act,1988 (Dishonestly or fraudulently misappropriates or otherwise converts for his own use any property entrusted to him or under his control as a public servant or allows any other person to do so) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by the court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

(Dr.B.JANARDHAN REDDY)
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Additional Director General of Police,
Crime Investigation Department, Telangana State, Hyderabad.